

## Metamonzogranite 192567

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<b>Sample Number(s) (including IGSN if one exists):</b> 192569
<b>Mineral separation required? Yes or No:</b> Yes
<b>Date submitted:</b> May 2020

<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA/ PROVINCE/ BASIN :</b> Eucla region; Nullarbor Plain / Madura Province	
<b>1:250k SHEET NAME:</b> Madura - Burnabie	<b>NUMBER:</b> SH 52-13
<b>1:100k SHEET NAME:</b> Madura Pass	<b>NUMBER:</b> 4334
<b>LOCATION METHOD: (GPS: GDA94)</b>	
<b>ZONE:</b> 52	
<b>EASTING:</b> 350264	<b>NORTHING:</b> 6468083
<b>LATITUDE:</b> -31.913275	<b>LONGITUDE:</b> 127.416322

<b>STRATIGRAPHIC UNIT FORMAL NAME *:</b> Moodini Supersuite
<b>STRATIGRAPHIC UNIT INFORMAL NAME:</b> N/A
<b>LITHOLOGY:</b> Metamonzogranite

<b>DRILLHOLE ID (if applicable):</b> MORC002
<b>PROSPECT (if applicable):</b> Moodini
<b>DEPTH FROM (metres):</b> 449.10
<b>DEPTH TO (metres):</b> 450.00

\* Stratigraphic Unit names can be searched and checked within the Australian Stratigraphic Units Database via the following link: <https://asud.ga.gov.au/>

### Dating Objective

**What is the geological question  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$  analysis will address?**

The ages of metamorphism and deformation events; to compare to the Top Up Rise samples.

**What type of age(s) are expected? (e.g. magmatic crystallisation, metamorphism, fluid alteration/mineralisation, cooling, shearing etc):**

Age or cooling age of deformation related to shearing.

**Mineral target(s) for dating:**

Biotite

**Estimated  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$  age (e.g. Cenozoic, Mesozoic, Paleozoic, Proterozoic, Archean – provide estimated numerical age range if possible):**

Mesoproterozoic, or younger. Younger than c. 1130 Ma. Possibly c. 1070 Ma, or younger.

### Sample Information

**Location description (e.g. a sample of x was collected from y, z km from abc town):**

Mundrabilla Shear Zone samples come from Moodini prospect drillcores, which were drilled close to the Eyre Highway, 48 km east of Madura, and 142 km west of Eucla.

**Lithological characteristics (rock description):**

Mostly medium-grained seriate to porphyritic metagranite. Locally equigranular. Comprises K-feldspar, plagioclase, quartz, hornblende and biotite in variable proportions. Typically contains an L-tectonite rodded fabric that is subhorizontal. This sample is dominantly L-tectonite.

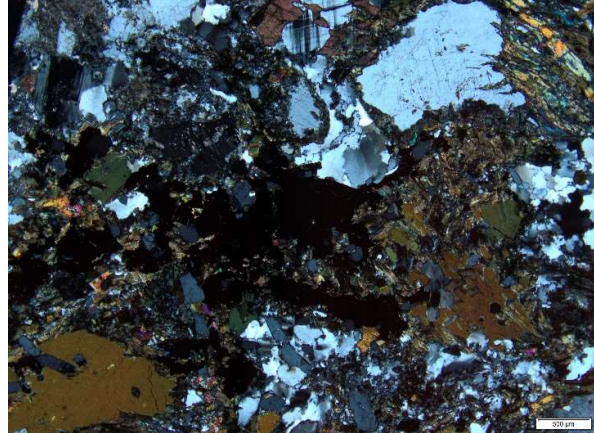
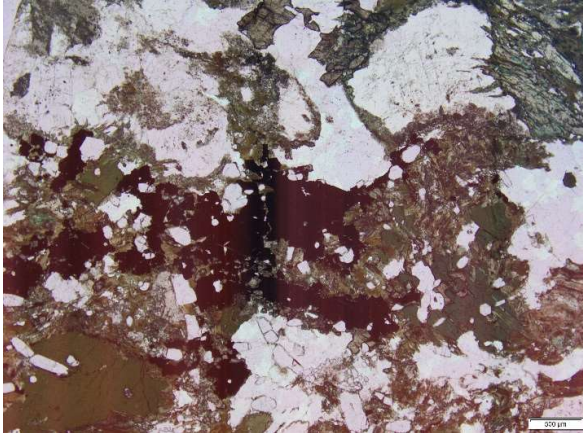
**Relative age constraints (pertinent geological relationships with surrounding rock units and any previous geochronology):**

Two samples of metamonzogranite have SHRIMP U-Pb ages of  $1132 \pm 9$  (GSWA 192566, MORCD002) and  $1127 \pm 7$  (GSWA 192565, MORCD001).

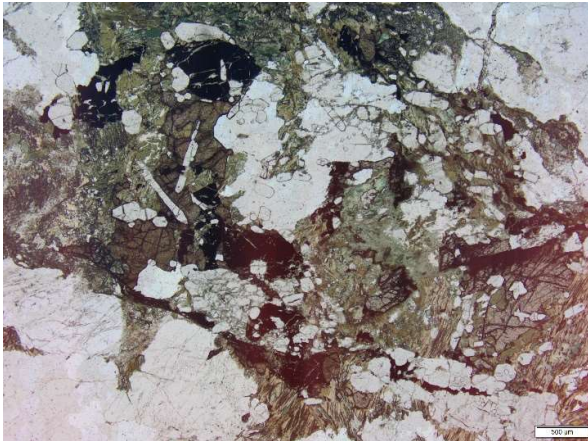
**Thin section description (if available):**

This sample is also dominantly L-tectonite. In thin section the fabric doesn't look particularly strong because of the L-tectonite orientation. The rock is dominated by coarse-grained plagioclase that is partly altered to ?sericite. Quartz with reduced grain size and clear evidence of deformation (inequigranular-interlobate texture) is also abundant. Titanite occurs as coarse-grained blasts throughout the rock, with an anhedral shape. Biotite, epidote, olive-green hornblende, blue-green amphibole, prehnite and apatite all typically occur together in a 'matrix' between plagioclase grains. Hornblende, Fe-Ti oxide and titanite tend to occur as 'porphyroblasts' whereas biotite, epidote and prehnite tend to occur as finer-grained minerals around these coarser ones. Rare discontinuous veins of calcite occur in one corner of the thin section.

**Photograph(s) e.g. field site, hand-specimen, photomicrograph:**



Hbl-FeTi-Ttn-Ap-Pl-Qz-Bt-Ep-Preh-Ep (PPL and XPL)



Fsp and Hbl porphyroclasts, Qz-Bt-Ep fabric



**Relevant bibliographic references:**

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